

## POLES MEET SOVIET DELEGATES AT RIGA

Foreign Minister Welcomes Them to Latvia and Hopes for Peace.

### DISARMAMENT CHIEF BAR

Reds Fighting Wrangle, France and America, Say They Can't Quit.

**Riga, Sept. 21.**—The Polish-Soviet Russian Peace Conference began its sessions today. The delegates were welcomed to Latvia by the Latvian Minister of Foreign Affairs, M. Meierovitch, who expressed his belief that peace would soon crown the labors of the Riga conference. "A peace which will be a solid peace based on the principles of justice and true democracy."

"Only these principles," he added, "can effect and maintain peace. It can never be lasting unless based upon respect for the free national rights of governments."

M. Dombaki, head of the Polish delegation, expressed heartfelt appreciation of Latvia's hospitality, saying: "Even if peace is not effected, the Polish delegates will always remain under great obligations to Latvia."

### Joffe Sure of Peace.

M. Joffe, the Russian Soviet leader, responded, saying that he was confident peace would be arranged. A short adjournment was then taken to inspect the credentials of the delegations and to ascertain whether they were credited with plenipotentiary powers.

Gossip in conference circles indicates that the refusal of Soviet Russia to disarm, as the Poles are expected to demand, is likely to be a stumbling block in securing peace. The Bolshevik delegation, it is forecast, will insist that Poland must disarm with the exception of a small defensive force, as Poland would be at peace with the world when she signed an armistice with the Moscow Government, the Soviet representatives point out. The Bolsheviks, however, insist that they are at war with Gen. Wrangel, France and the United States, which makes it imperative, they declare, that they maintain a war footing. Great Britain is omitted from this classification by the Russians, as it appears they no longer consider themselves at war with her.

### American War Ship on Stand.

The presence of the American torpedo boat destroyer *Broomie* in the harbor of Riga has caused the Soviet delegates to make some inquiries from the Latvian Government. There also are two British torpedo boat destroyers and one cruiser in the harbor and one Polish warship.

The Soviet representatives suggested that the peace treaty with Latvia forbade the use of territorial waters by ships of countries fighting Soviet Russia, but as no war actually has been declared between the United States and Soviet Russia, the Latvian officials explained that the American ships in the Baltic had been offered the hospitality of Latvian ports as also had British warships.

The announcement of the breaking off of the Polish-Lithuanian conference is regarded as unfavorable to the Riga peace negotiations, as the Bolsheviks are lacking the Lithuanians and the Poles will be somewhat handicapped as long as they are fighting the Lithuanians. Efforts are being made to open negotiations at Riga for a settlement of the Lithuanian-Polish boundary dispute, but there has been no definite reply to Latvia's offer to act as mediator.

Medieval gloom enshrouded the opening of the Conference. The gray day shed a dull light through the cathedral-like windows of Black Head House, where M. Meierovitch, Latvian Minister of Foreign Affairs, welcomed the delegates.

Catherine the Great, in gorgeous military uniform, riding astride a white stallion, looked upon the little groups of men in drab attire bent upon settling the dismemberment of the great Russian Empire. Nicholas II. and several other Czars, as well as Charles XI. and Charles XII. of Sweden, also watched the proceedings from heavy gold frames lining the assembly room of the ancient merchants guild, which laid the business foundation for Riga, formerly Russia's second Baltic port.

Capt. Evan E. Young, the American Commissioner in the Baltic States, and Col. Holladay, the American Military Attaché, attended the opening conference as guests of the Latvian Government. They sat in a special box, in which were also the French and Italian Commissioners and the German Charge d'Affaires.

### POLES DROP PARLEY WITH LITHUANIANS

#### Negotiations Broken Off Despite Paris Agreement.

**WARSAW, Sept. 21.**—The peace negotiations between Lithuania and Poland have been broken off and the Polish delegation has left Kalvaria and is returning to Warsaw.

Lithuania agreed to withdraw her troops behind the Poch line, but insisted that the Poles retire a similar distance behind the line they now occupy. To this the Poles refused to agree.

### ALLEGED POLISH OUTRAGE IN SEINY

#### Accused of Entering Synagogue and Taking Clothing.

**LONDON, Sept. 21.**—The Lithuanian delegation in this city today made public an official report of a pogrom alleged to have been committed by Polish soldiers in Seiny, near the Polish-Lithuanian border. The pogrom, the report says, lasted four days, during which twenty-five shops and 150 houses were plundered, twenty-two women mistreated and a number of men subjected to abusive measures.

The soldiers broke into the synagogue during services and deprived the entire congregation, including the rabbi, of all their garments. The report estimates the damage at 3,000,000 marks.

## JAPANESE WITHDRAW FROM SIBERIAN POST

### Quit Khabarovsk and Civilian Flee to Vladivostok.

**TOKYO, Sept. 20 (Delayed).**—A Japanese transport returning with troops from Siberia is reported to have disembarked contingents for Korea to strengthen the garrison to meet the growing unrest. The trial of Koreans accused of conspiring for Korean independence has been resumed at Seoul.

The *Hochi Shimbun* says that Japan has sent a note to the United States explaining the evacuation of Khabarovsk.

### HONOLULU, T. H., Sept. 20 (Delayed).

Civilians in the Khabarovsk region of Siberia are fleeing to Vladivostok and the mouth of the Amur River because of reports that the Bolsheviks in Siberia are planning a decisive winter campaign against the Japanese troops in Siberia. According to a cablegram received today from Tokyo by *Nikkei Jiji*, Japanese language newspaper here.

It was announced early in September that the Japanese garrison at Khabarovsk would be withdrawn to Saghalien Island, and also that the Japanese troops in Siberia would be reduced from three to two divisions in accordance with the policy of gradual evacuation. Later it was reported that the anti-red forces in Siberia opposed the withdrawal of the Japanese troops.

### CUT OFF FOES' HEADS TO BE SURE THEY'RE DEAD

#### French Senegalese Fighting Turks and Arabs.

**CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 20 (Delayed).**—Turkish Nationalist forces in Southern Asia Minor are continuing their fight against French troops of occupation here. Ten thousand Turks and Arabs are besieging Adana, and others are daily shelling Tarsus with old five-inch German guns, which are operated by German officers who have been stranded there since the armistice. Frequent attacks, made on Mersina, an important seaport southwest of Adana, have been repulsed by the fire from the guns of French battleships in the harbor.

Americans in Adana have limited food supplies, but distribute what they can to 2,000 persons daily. They have so far failed to secure shipments from Mersina. Hand-to-hand fighting frequently occurs at Adana, the French Senegalese and also the Turks and Arabs cutting off the heads of the fallen to be sure they are dead. There is no report, however, of torture being inflicted. Philip L. Flinn of Springfield, Mass., a worker with the American Committee for Relief in the Near East, who has arrived here, reports counting more than three hundred headless bodies on the fields near that city where engagements have recently been fought.

### FOR BENNETT AIRPLANE RACE.

**PARIS, Sept. 21.**—A committee of the A. C. F. of America, comprising Col. Jefferson Thompson, Sidney B. Velt, Cortland F. Bishop and Capt. V. E. Bertrand, was appointed today to select the three American representatives to compete in the James Gordon Bennett air race to be held September 28. Six American machines are now on the ground.

It has not yet been decided whether elimination trials shall be held or the three contestants picked directly by the committee.

### PEERLESS 2 POWER EIGHT

#### RANGE EIGHT

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## JAPANESE OPPOSE CALIFORNIA SCHEME

Object to Proposed Law Extension Forbidding Land Holding by Lease.

### ACTION CALLED INHUMAN

If Accomplished, Would Wipe Out All Good Feeling of 64 Years.

### By the Associated Press.

**TOKYO, Sept. 21.**—Representative Japanese express the opinion that there is no hope of a permanent solution of the California problem until after the Presidential election in the United States. Through the medium of the press, however, they continue to put forward strong opposition to the proposed referendum in California, designed to extend the present law excluding Japanese from land ownership in California so as to forbid Japanese from holding lands by lease and also to prevent Japanese holding land through ownership of alleged "dummy" corporations.

### Among the writers is Viscount Takashi

Kato, former Foreign Minister, who says: "That America, which constantly is advocating the cause of righteousness and humanity, should dare, without giving proper reasons, to deprive Japanese of the fruits of many years of painstaking labor is an act we can never overlook. That America of all countries should resort to an act so cruel and inhuman is really incalculable."

Viscount Kaneko Kaneko, president of the Japanese-American Society of Tokyo, announces in the *Japan Advertiser* that if he goes to America in the interest of bettering relations between Japan and the United States, as suggested by the Cabinet, he will make the trip early next year.

### California May Kill Friendship.

"If California passes the proposed bill by the referendum," Viscount Kaneko says, "California will write an indelible impression on the minds of every man, woman and child in Japan. But I do not predict war will result if this action is taken. All the good the visit of Perry to Japan accomplished and all the friendship that has grown up between the two nations in the last sixty-four years will be wiped out in a single day."

Viscount Kaneko declares that if Japan were approached in a reasonable way a positive and peaceful arrangement could be reached.

Other writers think the California situation only one aspect of a grave problem. Because of the difficulty of the mixing of Eastern and Western races, they say, Japan as the first Oriental Power must assume the leadership and patiently seek the best means looking to a practical understanding.

The *Yomiuri Shimbun* says it learns

leading members of the House of Peers have decided to urge the Government to adopt a firm attitude in diplomatic dealings with America concerning the anti-Japanese agitation and thus meet the will of the nation.

### Viscount Uchida's Views.

One of the numerous political groups in the House of Peers, headed by Baron Yoshio Sakatani, visited Viscount Uchida, the Foreign Minister, today to learn the latest developments. Viscount Uchida repeated what he recently told a delegation of the Kensei-Kai, or Opposition party. (The Foreign Minister informed the Kensei-Kai delegates that efforts to reach "a peaceful and satisfactory" settlement of the Japanese problem in California were being made by Roland S. Morris, United States Ambassador to Japan, and Harbridge Colby, American Secretary of State. Baron Uchida said Mr. Morris and Mr. Colby considered the question very important both to Japan and the United States and that President Wilson also was desirous of reaching a peaceful solution. Kijaro Shidehara, Japanese Ambassador in the United States, who was conducting the negotiations with Secretary Colby, firmly believed a settlement was in prospect. The Foreign Minister asserted.)

While the younger Peers apparently are taking the lead, the *Yomiuri Shimbun* says the Peers unanimously are attaching great importance to the California problem and are insisting that the question must be solved before any other diplomatic question confronting the empire.

Seven labor organizations have planned to exchange views on the California difficulty and telegraph the result to Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, as the representative opinion of the Japanese laboring classes.

### FORFEITS \$21,000 BOND.

#### Alleged Robber Falls to Appear Before Chicago Court.

**CHICAGO, Sept. 21.**—Charles O'Malley of Toledo, Ohio, forfeited his \$21,000 bond today when he failed to appear to answer to a charge of attempting to rob the Illinois Farmers Society Bank.

O'Malley was arrested after a pistol fight with the pawn shop proprietor, Paul Korabak.

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## BRITISH PREFERENCE TARIFF IS FAVORED

Chambers of Commerce of Empire Pass Resolution.

### U. S. AT NICARAGUA POLLS.

#### Marines on Guard During Presidential Election.

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